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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 4, 2002, and in accordance with the telephone interviews courteously granted Applicants' representatives on February 11 and 14, 2003, please enter this Response in the above-identified patent application.

In The Claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A gaming device having a bonus scheme comprising:
a plurality of selections;
a plurality of credit symbols associated with a first plurality of said selections;
a plurality of award symbols associated with a second plurality of said selections;
a winning combination of at least two award symbols and a jackpot award associated with said winning combination of award symbols;
a display device adapted to display the selections, credit symbols and award symbols to a player; and
a processor which communicates with the display device, provides a number of credits to the player when the player chooses the first selections, accumulates the award symbols when the player chooses the second selections, and provides the player the jackpot award when the accumulated award symbols reach said winning combination, wherein all or all but one of a provided number of player picks of the